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EMBASSY PERSONNEL

- 1. LAO CHIEF OF EMBASSY'S LOCAL GUARDS TOLD EMBOFF THAT ON MARCH 30 PLAINCLOTHES LAO POLICE QUESTIONED SEVERAL LOCAL GUARDS ABOUT THE IDENTITY AND AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY OF THREE NEW MISSION PERSONNEL. (WILLIAMS, KRAMME AND INDAHL) AND ABOUT TWO RECENTLY DEPARTED TDY PERSONNEL (RANKIN AND FUSELIER). GUARDS REPLIED THAT THEY DID NOT KNOW.
- 2. EMBASSY ROUTINELY INFORMED THE LAO MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE ARRIVAL OF THE THREE NEW PERSONNEL (WILLIAMS, KRAMME AND INDAHL) AT THE TIME OF THEIR ARRIVAL, IDENTIFYING THEM AS "ARCHIVISTS".
- 3. WE NORMALLY DO NOT INFORM MFA OF SHORT TERM TDY PERSONNEL SUCH AS RANKIN, FUSELIER AND THE VARIOUS TECHNICIANS AND TEMPORARY REPLACEMENTS FOR REGULARLY ASSIGNED PERSONNEL WHO HAVE BEEN IN AND OUT OF VIENTIANE OVER THE LAST YEAR AND A HALF. THE INCREASED CONFIDENTIAL

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SURVEILLANCE OF THE EMBASSY THE LAO SECURITY APPARATUS INDICATES THAT WE ARE NOT GOING TO ENJOY IN THE FUTURE THE FREEDOM OF ACTION IN REGARD TO TDY ASSIGNMENTS THAT WE HAVE HAD IN THE PAST.

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